

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the following paragraphs of the description:

Page 6, first full paragraph:

Referring to Fig. 2, a rotary switch assembly 29 can be installed inside an electrical enclosure 26 on a switching interface 81 of an actuating mechanism 80 of the disconnect switch 10 to control actuation and de-actuation of the disconnect switch contacts through a two-part movement, first, in an axial direction, and then, in a rotational direction.

Page 6, last paragraph bridging to page 7:

The handle 30 is installed on a shorter shaft 23 of non-circular cross section that fits through an aperture in hub 32. The non-circular cross section allows application of torque without the handle 30 slipping on the shaft 22. The lower end of the shaft 23 is received in the rotor of a switching mechanism 38 that also receives an upper end of the shaft 27, which is received in an aperture of a switching interface 81 in a main actuating mechanism 80 (Fig. 2) for the disconnect switch 10. The switching interface 81 includes the aperture and a top surface of a rotatable part of the actuating member 80. This is called a "split-shaft" arrangement, which allows coupling to the actuating mechanism 80 when the switch assembly 29 is moved to the "ON" position and de-coupling from the disconnect switch actuating mechanism, when the handle 30 is in the "off" position.

Page 7, 2nd full paragraph:

Fig. 2 also shows a view of a second rotary switch assembly 40 which is disclosed in U.S. Pat. Appl. No. 10/714,433 filed on Nov. 14, 2003, and entitled "Fuse Block with Door Sensing Rotary Disconnect" The disclosure therein is hereby incorporated by reference. This rotary switch assembly 40 has a dial-type handle provided by a scalloped ring 41 for rotation in either direction and a door-sensitive button 44 which is released by the opening of the enclosure door to prevent the switch from being operated without further operator actions such as, 1) depressing the button 44 or 2)

pulling up on the scalloped ring 41, which has grooves 42 for receiving the fingers of an operator. These actions allow a ratcheting mechanism in the interior of a hub 45 for the switch assembly to couple the rotation of the ring 41 in either direction to the shaft 46. This shaft 46 is received in opening of the switching interface 81 in the disconnect switch operating mechanism 80.

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The button mechanism 44 further includes a keyway 47 that receives a shaft and pin coupling the mechanism to the door handle 28 seen in Fig. 1, such that the operating shaft 46 and hub 44 45 can rotate in concert with the door handle 28 when the door 24 is closed. When the door 24 is opened, the shaft(not shown) is pulled out of the keyway 47 to disconnect the door handle 28 from the rotary switch 40, with the rotary switch 40 remaining in position to operate the disconnect switch 10. The button mechanism 44 is spring-loaded and can thus be depressed with respect to hub 45 when door 24 is closed to re-couple the mechanism to door handle 28.

Page 8, second full paragraph:

It is also possible to provide a rotary switch on a side of the cabinet enclosure 26. In this configuration, a third switching assembly comprising a motion translator switching assembly 50 on the switching interface ~~80~~ 81 for translating a rotary motion from a rotary switch on the side of the cabinet through a horizontal shaft 51 to a depending shaft 52 that couples the assembly 50 to switch actuating mechanism 80. The motion translator 50 uses gears or other well known mechanical devices for translation motion between two shafts 51, 52 having axes of rotation that are orthogonal (ninety degrees apart).

Page 8, third full paragraph:

Another modular assembly is provided by a lockout assembly 60 that is installable on the switching interface ~~80~~ 81 with a holed lockout tab 62 that will receive the shackle 61 of a padlock 63 to lockout the switch actuating mechanism in the "off" position. Screws (not shown) are inserted through

mounting bosses 64, 65 into bosses 66, 67 on the switch body 11 to hold the lockout assembly 60 in place on the actuating mechanism.

Page 9, first full paragraph:

Another possible assembly, which is individually known in the art, an extension shaft 22 for insertion into the opening of the switching interface 81 of actuating mechanism 80 and for coupling to a door-mounted handle 28 for actuating and de-actuating the disconnect switch contacts as shown in Fig. 1.